



Perinatal Loss: Beyond the Basics

Speaker: Sherokee Ilse, author, international speaker, bereaved parent

Date: Monday or Tuesday, May 17 or 18, 2010

The SIMON Project (Sudden Infant & Child Mourning Outreach Network) & Babies Remembered Consulting

Times: Registration 8:30 – 9 AM

Sessions begin *promptly* at 9 AM– 3:30 PM

Location: Central Vermont Medical Center, Berlin Vermont

Sponsored by: The SIMON Project, Central VT. Building Bright Futures & CVMC Women & Children’s Unit

SPEAKERS: **Sherokee Ilse**, international speaker/writer on pregnancy and infant loss. Author of *Empty Arms: Coping with Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Infant Death*, and numerous other books and booklets on bereavement. Founder of Wintergreen Press, Babies Remembered, and Sherokee Ilse & Associates.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Nurses, Doctors, Nurse Midwives, Perinatal and Neonatal Staff, Social Workers, funeral directors, clergy, counselors, EMT’s who work with families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or early infant death.

PROGRAM

Part A Support Resources, Research updates (caring for the bereaved)

Part B Assessing and improving Professional Competencies

Part C Enhancing Great Clinic/Hospital Programs (mementos, birth plans, disposition, Discharge meetings...

OBJECTIVES: Upon completion of this continuing education program, participants will be able to:

- List three local, state, national/int’l and/or memory/support resources for families and the status of Perinatal Loss care and standards in Vermont / New England,
- List three professional competencies that are strengths and three that need improvement using the *Perinatal/Neonatal Confidence/Competency Scale*,
- Discuss methods for staff communication to positively influence parents’ decision-making and emotional reactions after a baby dies (importance of words and attitudes in the presentation of information),
- Explain how a *Clinic or Hospital Perinatal/Neonatal Review* can help assess the state of your program in areas such as Birth Planning and Palliative Care Planning, Hospital Discharge meetings, and Follow-up programs,
- Explain how to create and use a Birth Plan/Palliative care Plan and its importance to families who have suffered a perinatal loss or will suffer a neonatal loss,
- Rights of parents and disposition laws, funeral laws and options for miscarried and stillborn babies.

COURSE DIRECTOR: Jeff Hunsberger 802-635-7696 and Sherokee Ilse 952-476-1303
(www.simonproject.org) (www.babiesremembered.org)

REGISTRATION AND FEE: (Nursing CEUs may be available)

A \$25.00+ donation to The SIMON Project is the only cost collected the day of the event.

(Lunch will be on your own)

Seating is limited to 30 participants per day

*Please register early.

Register on Facebook at “The SIMON Project” or e-mail to: simonproject@myfairpoint.net

(Donations will be accepted the day of the events. Please make checks out to: The SIMON Project / LFC)

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